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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES
OF
PHILADELPHIA.

1912.

JANUARY 2.

PHILIP P. CALVERT, PH.D., in the Chair.

Nineteen persons present.

The Council reported the appointment of the following Standing Committees to serve during the year:

FINANCE.—John Cadwalader, Edwin S. Dixon, Charles Morris, James D. Winsor, and the Treasurer.

LIBRARY.—Thomas H. Fenton, M.D., Thomas Biddle, M.D., George Vaux, Jr., Henry Tucker, M.D., Frank J. Keeley.

PUBLICATIONS.—Henry Skinner, M.D., Witmer Stone, A.M., Henry A. Pilsbry, Sc.D., William J. Fox, Edward J. Nolan, M.D.

INSTRUCTION and LECTURES.—Henry A. Pilsbry, Sc.D., Charles Morris, Witmer Stone, A.M., Henry Tucker, M.D., George S. Morris.

Mr. Frank J. Keeley was appointed Curator of the William S. Vaux Collections.

George Vaux, Jr., was appointed the Solicitor of the Academy.

DR. HENRY LEFFMANN made a communication on recent advances in photography as aids in teaching natural history. (No abstract.)

faint traces of crenulation on the basal margin. The anterior adductor scar is raised in the cast and the posterior slightly sunken.

Length 105, alt. (as broken) 88 mm.

C. curta Conrad and *C. conradi* Whitfield, though very much smaller, are similar to this species in contour, but both seem to be smoother externally. *C. littoralis* Conrad is a similarly sculptured species, but it is more inequilateral and far smaller so far as known. *C. vadosa* Morton has the outline of *C. willcoxi*, except by its greater compression. Most of the American Tertiary *Crassatellites* are longer and more produced posteriorly than *C. willcoxi*.

Vasum wilmingtonense n. sp. Pl. I, figs. 2, 3.

This form is represented by an internal cast wanting the apical whorls, apparently derived from a species shaped like *V. haitense*. The conic spire diverges at an angle of about 80°, the crown of each whorl being narrowly rounded. The last whorl is much less convex above, being somewhat flattened and sloping to the rounded shoulder. The periphery, viewed from above, is polygonal; the last three angles on the last half whorl are prominent, but several on the first half are barely perceptible. Below the shoulder the sides taper to the narrow base, are a little swollen midway and contracted below the shoulder and near the base. Four deep furrows indicate as many stout columellar folds in the shell, the lowest one being somewhat smaller. The length of the cast is 113 mm. and the greatest diameter 66 mm.

In the absence of information as to the stratigraphic position of the specimens, we cannot say whether this species occurred with the preceding Eocene forms or, as seems more likely, in an overlying bed.

CORRECTION.—The Editor regrets that, through an inadvertence, the name of Charles Morris was substituted for that of Effingham B. Morris on the Finance Committee (page 1).